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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
GROUP 1794  
PATENT APPLICATION

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q87762

Atsushi KIKUCHI, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/533,301

Group Art Unit: 1794

Confirmation No.: 5170

Examiner: Walter AUGHEBAUGH

Filed: January 13, 2006

For: PREFORM, METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME, AND BIAXIALLY DRAWN  
CONTAINER MADE FROM THE PREFORM

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Final Office Action of April 1, 2009, once extended from July 1, 2009 to August 1, 2009 by the filing of an appropriate Petition and payment for extension of time submitted herewith, thus providing for timely filing by Monday, August 3, 2009, please amend the application as follows:

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